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TAGS: OVIP (DAVID M. BLUMBERG), MO
SUBJECT: VISIT OF NATIONAL B'NAI B'RITH PRESIDENT AND OFFICERS

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1. MR. BLUMBERG AND HIS COLLEAGUES MET WITH AMBASSADOR AND STAFF JUNE 1 FOR HOUR AND A HALF BRIEFING ON CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS, INCLUDING MOROCCAN ATTITUDES ON MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA. GROUP HAD CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER BOUCETTA EARLIER IN DAY.

2. MR. BLUMBERG EXPLAINED THAT HIS GROUP HAD BEEN INVITED TO MOROCCO BY MINISTER OF TOURISM, AND THAT B'NAI B'RITH WAS CONTEMPLATING EFFORTS TO INCREASE TOURISM BY ITS MEMBERS TO MOROCCO.

3. MR. BLUMBERG ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER RADICAL INROADS IN AFRICA AND RECOGNITION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF PAST AND POSSIBLE FUTURE MOROCCAN PEACE-KEEPING EFFORTS IN ZAIRE. B'NAI B'RITH VICE-PRESIDENT THURSZ VOLUNTEERED THAT HIS ORGANIZATION COULD BE OF HELP IN CONGRESS WITH RESPECT TO MOROCCAN ARMS REQUESTS, AND NOTED SEPARATION OF THIS ISSUE FROM MIDDLE EAST ARMS
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QUESTIONS. HE SAID HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH NEA DEP. ASST. SECRETARY VELIOTES IN NEAR FUTURE. VISITORS ALSO TOLD US THAT FOREIGN MINISTER'S POSITION OF SUPPORT FOR PLO AND PALESTINIAN STATE HAD DISTURBED THEM. WE DESCRIBED KING HASSAN'S CONTINUING STRONG SUPPORT FOR SADAT'S PEACE EFFORTS AND THE SPECTRUM OF INTERNAL OPINION ON THIS ISSUE.

4. MR. BLUMBERG REQUESTED WE INFORM DEPARTMENT THAT
HE LOOKS FORWARD TO SEEING SECRETARY SOON AFTER HIS
RETURN TO WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS RESULTS OF
HIS TRIP.

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